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IN RE APPLICATION OF: :  
NAOYUKI FUKUCHI, ET AL : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: 09/926,256 :  
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FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING  
SUBUNIT PEPTIDE ORIGINATING  
FROM OLIGOMERIC PROTEIN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Correspondence dated November 14, 2001, Applicants submit herewith a substitute Sequence Listing and a corresponding computer-readable Sequence Listing. Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 57 (Abstract), after the last line, beginning on the next page, please delete the original Sequence Listing attached at pages 1 to 5 and replace it with the substitute Sequence Listing attached hereto.